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SECTO 209

FOR EAGLEBURGER FROM MCCLOSKEY

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: OVIP (KISSINGER, HENRY A.)

SUBJECT: LETTER TO JOSEPH KRAFT

1. I WOULD APPRECIATE IT IF YOU WOULD PASS THE FOLLOWING TO
JOSEPH KRAFT:

BEGIN TEXT

DEAR JOE:

AS YOU KNOW, I PARTICULARLY REGRETED THAT YOU DID NOT ACCOMPANY
US BEYOND SYRIA. I BELIEVE THAT I UNDERSTAND THE REASONS BETTER
THAN ANYONE.

IT IS WITH MORE REGRET, HOWEVER, THAT I AM COMPELLED TO SEND
YOU THIS MESSAGE. IT GROWS OUT OF A COLUMN OF YOURS PUBLISHED IN
TODAY'S JERUSALEM POST.

ADMITTEDLY, ANY POLICY OF THE GOVERNMENT IS FAIR GAME FOR
CRITICISM. HOWEVER, WHAT I FIND INCOMPREHENSIBLE ABOUT THIS
PIECE IS THE CHARGE THAT THE SECRETARY "ARRANGED PRESSURES
TO MOUNT ON BOTH SIDES" AS A PRELUDE TO HIS EFFORT IN SEEKING
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AGREEMENT BETWEEN SYRIA AND ISRAEL ON DISENGAGEMENT.

WORSE, IS THE CONCLUDING PARAGRAPH: "IN SUM, THE SECRETARY OF
STATE'S ESSENTIAL METHOD IS TO LEASH THE DOGS OF WAR WHICH
HE HIMSELF HAS PREVIOUSLY UNLEASHED." I FIND IT DISAPPOINTING
AND UNWORTHY OF YOU AS AN INTELLIGENT OBSERVER AND WIDELY READ
WRITER ON FOREIGN POLICY TO INVOKE SUCH HARSH AND UNFAIR COMMENT
ABOUT THE SECRETARY PERSONALLY WHILE COMMENTING ON HIS WORK
OR CRITICIZING OUR POLICIES.
KISSINGER

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